

Software Plan Scheme. The details of outstanding commitment during the last three years are as under:

1993-94	:	1.01 crores
1994-95	:	6.33 crores
1995-96	:	11.28 crores

(c) The liabilities are being met from the additional budgetary allocations and the Non-Lapsable Fund (NLF) in a phased manner.

Shifting of Telephones

3248. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for inter-exchange and in-exchange shifting of telephones pending for clearance in Delhi, exchange-wise; and

(b) the steps taken for early clearance of these applications?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Sir, the details are given in the attached statement.

(b) Prompt issue of OBs/simplification of commercial policies, despatch of OBs by courier and provision of FAX for clearance in case of inter-exchange shifts are the steps taken to reduce the time in shifting the telephone connections. Norms have been fixed for local shifts within 7 days and inter-exchange shifts within 15 days. All out efforts are being made to observe these norms and monitoring is being carried out at top management levels to achieve the targets.

STATEMENT

Exchange	Cases Pending for		Total
	Inter-exchange	Local shift	
Janpath	6	1	7
Kidwai Bhavan	21	19	40
Rajpath	8	-	8
Sena Bhavan	35	-	35
Jor Bagh	70	53	23
Lodhi Road	25	3	28
Delhi Gate	5	2	7

Exchange	Cases Pending for		Total
	Inter-exchange	Local shift	
Idgah	30	32	62
Tis Hazari	21	15	36
Laxmi Nagar	122	93	215
Kadkad Dooma (L. Nagar)	10	27	46
Kadkad Dooma	10	7	17
Mayur Vihar	51	12	63
Shahdara	5	19	24
Yamuna Vihar	12	8	20
Shakti Nagar	76	123	199
Keshav puram	10	1	11
Rohini (Sec. 3)	75	3	78
Rohini (Sec. 6)	74	-	74
Rohini (Sec. 9)	129	7	136
Saraswati Vihar	27	9	36
Badli	60	-	60
Alipur	2	-	2
Narela	4	-	4
Chanakya Puri	35	22	57
Bhikaji Cama Place	78	46	124
Hauz khas	45	47	92
Chattarpur	51	1	52
Vasant Kunj	160	38	198
Nehru Place	255	287	542
Tughlakabad	61	41	102
Okhla	151	72	223
Tehkhand	21	-	21

Exchange	Cases Pending for		Total
	Inter-exchange	Local shift	
Sarita Vihar	22	-	22
Palam	1	6	7
Shamli	5	-	5
Delhi Cantt.	10	49	59
Shadi Pur	11	6	17
Karol Bagh	45	42	87
Janakpuri	96	59	155
Najafgarh	15	6	21
Rajouri Garden	27	35	62
Hari Nagar	7	6	13
Paschim Vihar	11	19	30
Nangaloi	9	10	19
Grand Total :	2013	1226	3239

Sugarcane Growers

3249. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the sugarcane growers under the banner of Bharat Krishak Samaj met the Prime Minister recently and submitted a memorandum to him;

(b) if so, the contents of the memorandum submitted and the talks held with the Prime Minister; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) to (c). A memorandum dated 12.7.1996 was submitted to the Prime Minister under the banner of Bharat Krishak Samaj consisting of 18 demands relating to subsidy on irrigation, subsidy on 18 H.P. Tractor & Implements, credit on lower interest rate, regular supply of electricity on subsidised tariff, mix farming packing, afforestation, foodgrain movement, land

compensation, no tax on farmers, Cooperative Law to be freed from Government control, exemption from Income-Tax for cooperatives, insurance, relief in natural calamities, *Sui generis* Bill, Funding of KVKs, payment to sugarcane farmers along with interest, activating Small Farmers Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC) and reduction in administered price of Petroleum Products. The memorandum is being looked into by the Ministry of Agriculture in consultation with the relevant departments.

Allotment of space to ITDC

3250. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of pursuing the matter with the Ministry of Civil Aviation to allot some space for India Tourism Development Corporation at Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Airport at Calcutta; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA) : (a) and (b). The matter regarding upgradation of ITDC duty free shop at Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Airport at Calcutta was referred to Airports Authority of India by Department of Tourism. The Airports Authority of India has informed that no additional space was available, which could be considered for allotment to ITDC for duty free shops.

Meeting of the Hindi Consultative Committee

3251. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether this Ministry has not completed the Hindi Annual Progressive programme so far during the last several years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of sittings of Hindi consultative committee held during the last three years and the reasons for not organising four meetings in a year;

(d) the time by which the Hindi consultative committee is likely to be reconstituted; and

(e) the percentage of the work which the Chairpersons and the members of Official Language Implementation Committees do in Hindi?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) and (b). The Annual Programme for implementation of the Official Language Policy of the